Working Together for Student Success



Addendum to Civil Discourse Resource

This addendum modifies and supplements the Civil Discourse Resource for Educators to serve educators as they continue intentional conversations in their schools regarding the civil unrest in Washington, D.C. on January 6, 2021.

Resources

Being Intentional about Discourse, Discussion, and Dialogue

Responding to the Insurrection at the US Capitol¹

Content Support

- Social Studies Teachers: What should we teach today about events in Washington DC?²
- Mo Willems Democracy Doodle³
- Pro-Trump mob storms U.S. Capitol, tries to overturn election⁴
- When white supremacists overthrew a government⁵

Discussions in the Virtual Space

- Responding to the Insurrection at the US Capitol¹
- Resources for Teachers on the Days After the Attack on the U.S. Capitol⁶

Government

- Indiana State Government
- Access to both houses of Congress⁷
- United State White House
- Election Process⁸
- What is the 25th amendment?9
- 25th Amendment Lessons¹⁰
- Contentious Elections and the Peaceful Transition of Power¹⁰

Social Emotional Learning

Supporting Marginalized Students in the Context of the 2020 Election¹¹

Glossary

Banana Republic- A country, often small, that is politically unstable and who has an economy that is dependent on the success of few items, usually crops.¹²

Congress- One of the three branches of the national government that makes laws. It is also known as the legislative branch and is made up of the House of Representatives and the Senate.¹³

Coup- A French term that means to attempt or successfully overthrow the government. It is carried out beyond the bounds of legality.¹⁴

Democracy- A form of governing where the power of the government rests with its citizens.¹⁵ **Domestic Terrorism**- Committing acts of violence against one's own country and against fellow citizens.¹⁶

Electoral College- A process of which a body of electors, who represent voters from their state, cast then vote for the president and vice president of the United State. These voters total 538.¹⁷ **House of Representatives**- The legislative body of Congress that is based on a state's population.¹⁸ **Insurrection**- An act of revolting against civil authority or an established government.¹⁹ **Mob**- A large and disorderly crowd of people, especially one bent on riotous and destructive actions.²⁰

Protest- Sharing of opinion or act of objecting or gesture of disapproval.²¹

Republic- A form of democracy where citizens elect people to represent them in government.²² **Sedition**- The act of inciting revolt or violence lawful authority with the goal of destroying or overthrowing it.²³

Senate- In this body of Congress, each state has two senators serve as legislators.²⁴ **Terrorism**- Violent, criminal acts committed by individual or groups against an organization or nation.²⁵

Vote Certification- A group of elected officials who review and approve the officially counted vote tallies. These vote totals are used in the electoral college vote.²⁶

25th amendment- The U.S. constitutional amendment that provides procedures for replacing the president or vice president in the event of death, removal, resignation, or incapacitation.²⁷

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